

REMARKS

This amendment is in response to the Office action of June 11, 2009 (Office action). Applicants amend claims 2, 15, and 34. Applicants cancel claims 1, 14, 30-33, and 35. Claims 2-13, 15-29, and 34 are pending. Applicants request reexamination and reconsideration of the application.

On page 1 at the top, the examiner states applicants' request for reconsideration of finality is persuasive and therefore withdraws the finality of the Office action dated July 23, 2008.

In sections 1-3 of the Office action, the examiner rejects claims 1, 14 and 34 under 35 USC 112, second paragraph, as indefinite.

Applicant disagrees but cancels claims 1 and 14 to expedite prosecution, which moots the rejection.

As to claim 34, applicants delete the term "maximum," which now recites in pertinent part "the first conductive pad extends beyond the terminal side of the component a distance that reduces solder wicking" Because a person of ordinary skill would readily understand when amended claim 34 is infringed after review of the specification (e.g., Figure 4A), claim 34 complies with 35 USC 112.

In sections 4-5 of the Office action, the examiner rejects claims 1 and 14 as anticipated under 35 USC 102() by Figures 1-2 of the present application.

Applicant disagrees but cancels claims 1 and 14 to expedite prosecution, which moots the rejection.

In section 6 of the Office action, the examiner stated claims 2-13 and 15-29 are objected to as being dependent on rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

1 There are no intervening claims, so applicants rewrite claims 2 and 15 in
2 independent form including all limitations of their respective base claims 1 and
3 14.

4 Pending claims 2-13, 15-29, and 34 are now allowable. Since no other issues
5 remain the application is in condition for allowance. Thus, we request the notice
6 of allowance be mailed promptly to us.

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8 Please call the number below if you have any question or comment regarding this
9 amendment or any suggestion that would expedite progress of the application.

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11 Respectfully Submitted,

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